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METHOD FOR ENABLING A USER ALREADY CONNECTED TO A VIRTUAL PRIVATE NETWORK TO COMMUNICATE WITH A COMMUNICATION DEVICE NOT BELONGING TO THIS VIRTUAL PRIVATE NETWORK AND

CORRESPONDING NETWORK ACCESS SERVER

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